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- (a) (1) A vice president or program director may suspend a classified employee without pay pending disposition of a charge for removal.
- (2) The vice president or program director shall notify the classified employee in writing of the suspension and the reasons for it.
- (b) Within 5 workdays after receiving a notice of suspension under this section, a classified employee may request in writing that the President conduct a preliminary hearing to determine whether the employee may continue to work with pay pending disposition of the charge.
- (c) The President shall hold the preliminary hearing within 5 workdays after the President receives the request.
- (d) (1) A preliminary hearing under this subtitle is in addition to the hearing on the merits required by § 14-205 of this subtitle.
  - (2) The preliminary hearing is limited to the following issues:
- (i) Whether suspension without pay is necessary to protect the interests of the University or of the classified employee pending final disposition of the charge; and
- (ii) Whether other employment and status alternatives for the classified employee should be considered.
  - (e) At the preliminary hearing, the classified employee may:
    - (1) Rebut the reasons given for the suspension;
    - (2) Assert mitigating circumstances; and
    - (3) Offer alternatives to the suspension, including:
      - (i) A return to the employee's position with pay;
      - (ii) A transfer to another position with pay; or

- (iii) A suspension with pay.
- (f) (1) Within 5 workdays after the preliminary hearing, the President shall issue a proposed decision in writing for approval by the Secretary of Budget and Management.
  - (2) The decision is conclusive only as to the issue of the suspension.

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